

Table A-5. Age of science and engineering bachelor's degree recipients in 1997 and 1998, by major field of degree: April 1999

Major field of 1997-98 S&E bachelor's degree	Total recipients	Age			
		Less than 25	25-29	30-34	35 or more
All science and engineering fields.....	743,400	437,500	208,200	39,500	58,200
Total science.....	628,800	377,300	168,700	31,100	51,800
Computer and information sciences.....	46,000	20,600	13,300	4,000	8,200
Life and related sciences, total.....	164,000	107,700	42,800	6,800	6,800
Agricultural and food sciences.....	15,700	9,300	4,600	S	S
Biological sciences.....	134,900	91,000	33,800	5,700	4,400
Environmental life sciences including forestry sciences.....	13,500	7,400	4,400	S	S
Mathematical and related sciences.....	23,700	15,100	5,500	1,900	S
Physical and related sciences, total.....	36,500	22,700	9,500	2,000	2,300
Chemistry, except biochemistry.....	20,100	12,600	5,000	1,300	S
Earth sciences, geology, and oceanography.....	8,700	5,000	2,700	S	S
Physics and astronomy.....	7,200	4,700	1,700	S	S
Other physical sciences.....	600	S	S	S	S
Psychology.....	146,700	81,300	41,200	6,400	17,700
Social and related sciences, total.....	211,800	129,900	56,400	10,000	15,500
Economics.....	32,700	23,600	7,600	S	S
Political science and related sciences.....	71,700	50,200	15,400	3,500	2,600
Sociology and anthropology.....	69,500	37,400	21,300	3,900	6,900
Other social sciences.....	37,900	18,800	12,100	S	5,200
Total engineering.....	114,600	60,200	39,500	8,400	6,400
Aerospace and related engineering.....	2,400	1,500	800	S	S
Chemical engineering.....	12,400	8,400	3,300	S	S
Civil and architectural engineering.....	20,200	9,200	8,200	1,400	1,300
Electrical, electronic, computer and communications engineering.....	34,200	16,000	12,000	3,100	3,200
Industrial engineering.....	6,000	3,000	2,400	S	S
Mechanical engineering.....	26,300	14,000	8,800	2,300	S
Other engineering.....	13,200	8,100	4,100	S	S

KEY: S = Data with weighted values less than 100 or unweighted sample sizes less than 20 are suppressed for reasons of data reliability.

NOTES: Details may not add to totals because of rounding.

These estimates on recent college graduates are obtained from a sample survey of individuals whose most recent bachelor's or master's degrees in science or engineering field and may differ from degree counts presented in other SRS publications.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics, National Survey of Recent College Graduates, 1999